Securing America's future, for <u>all</u> our families



Democratic values

Democrats are committed to:

- winning the war on terrorism and making our country more secure;
- protecting your Social Security, pension and retirement savings;
- investing in America to create good jobs;
- cutting prescription drug costs and providing Medicare drug coverage for every senior;
- improving education by reducing class size with new, qualified teachers; and
- keeping our air and water clean.

★ Misplaced Republican priorities

Republicans have a plan to cut Social Security benefits; provide prescription drug coverage for only 6% of seniors; safeguard big corporations rather than workers; cut funding for education; and allow polluters to get away with contaminating our air and water.

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X Social Security

- Republicans are spending your Social Security money on tax breaks for special interests, and have a plan to cut your benefits and raise the retirement age with a risky privatization scheme.
- Democrats created Social Security and will fight to protect it.

★ Prescription Drug Costs and a Medicare Drug Benefit

- Democrats will halt the skyrocketing cost of prescription drugs for all Americans, and provide a Medicare drug benefit for every senior.
- Republicans will protect the big drug companies and have proposed a drug benefit that covers only 6% of seniors.

† Education

- Democrats will work to improve education by reducing class size with new, qualified teachers.
- Republicans have broken their promise on education by making 28 education cuts totaling more than \$1 billion, including technology training and after-school classes.

Pension Protection

- Democrats will provide real pension protections and impose stiff new criminal penalties for corporate pension fraud.
- Republicans tried to give Enron a \$254 million retroactive tax cut. They will offer token protections for employee pensions while they coddle the corporate executives who mismanage them.

★ Air and Water

- Democrats will enforce clean air and water laws and ensure that polluters will pay.
- Republicans will turn our air and water over to the polluters and force taxpayers to pay the clean-up bill.